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HONGKONG, JANUARY 11TH, 1906.

ARRE HUE, with one of his inimitable touches of satire, in speaking of a piece of ultra-ceremoniousness on the part of a Chinese Mandarin exclaimed that really one might imagine oneself in Paris. Whether he meant to admire or to deprecate the peculiar politeness of the official in question he left to the decision of his readers. The question has long been debated whether the Chinese are really entitled to be considered polite. The popular idea in England is no doubt largely influenced by GOLDSMITH'S description of the Citizen of the World; and many people have taken the character there set forth of the refined philosophical traveller in foreign parts very much more seriously than the sprightly writer intended. Curiously enough the genius of GOLDSMITH hit off many of the Chinese characteristics with more accuracy than he was probably aware of himself. If the Citizen of the World were a specimen of all educated Chinese, we should have little ground to complain of them; and so far as mere external conduct goes the Citizen of the World is, with slight allowance for the exaggeration of a humorous writer, not a bad specimen of the average Chinese as we are familiar with him. No one can deny that the educated Chinaman has an amount of ceremonious politeness which would compare favourably with that of other nations; but few who are really acquainted with the Chinese can fail to see that it is of a very superficial nature. There is a certain exaggeration about it, which at once has the effect of making it hollow. People

may, in a kindly and generous way, consider others honourable, but they don't as a rule consider themselves contemptible; nor do persons with any claim to patriotism deem their country unworthy and some other country entitled to unlimited admiration. When, therefore, it is considered necessary in conversation to refer to one's contemptible self and country there is a false note from the very beginning, and anything in the way of falseness or insincerity may fairly be deemed incompatible with true politeness. Taken, therefore, merely by their conventional customs, the Chinese cannot be considered as models of politeness, and the not unkindly satire of the good ARRE may to this extent be considered fully justified. At the same time, it is not to be denied that Chinamen of anything like rank or education will seldom be found wanting in the essentials of good manners. They are quick to perceive what is pleasing or what may be offensive to those with whom they have intercourse, and will seldom be found to commit *gaucheries*, of which many who look upon them with complaisant contempt are often guilty. If we put aside the form and accept the spirit of Chinese politeness, it will be seen that there is, after all, something to be learnt from it. Making little of oneself and as much as possible of those with whom we have intercourse is not altogether a bad code as to social amenity, and this is what the rather ponderous system of Chinese etiquette practically indicates. It is not necessary to call ourselves contemptible, but a form of intercourse which reminds us that we should abstain from undue self-assertion is not without its uses. In the same way it is not necessary to tell everyone with whom we may come in contact that we consider him honourable, but we have very high authority for honouring all men. Thus the Chinese social code, though antiquated in form, may serve as a useful reminder of principles which are sound in themselves and which are apt to be overlooked without something to remind one of them. In the present days of self-assertion and self-advertisement, it may possibly be at times not without benefit to remember the rough and ready forms of Chinese address. They are in fact a species of A.B.C. of politeness, which is worthy of some study, if its inner meaning is seized. We need not consider ourselves contemptible, much less need we declare that to be our estimate of ourselves; but a little of the humility which is suggested by the Chinese formula may at times add considerable grace to our dealings with our fellow-men. In this matter, as in so many others, the error of the Chinese is in clinging to antiquated forms. In European countries in former times the rules of etiquette were far more rigid than they have become of late years. Anyone who adopted the stiff style of the eighteenth century in the present day would be looked upon as insincere and pedantic. The heavy compliments to the nobility and to people in office which were then in vogue would be justly laughed at. At the same time, there are few who would deny that the old-fashioned courtesy taught a lesson which had its value; and which formed the basis upon which courtesy of a higher character in modern days has been founded. The Chinaman, however, sticks to his old forms and is as formal now as he was in the time of the Ming. At the same time, though these exaggerated forms have been retained in their bald integrity, it would be unjust to ignore that the Chinaman has to a great extent seized their real meaning; and that he has learnt to build up upon a somewhat crude foundation habits of courtesy, which, if they may not mean very much, at least make intercourse with him easy and agreeable.

A staff ride is being arranged by the Garrison officers, to take place shortly in the New Territory.

Some notices of books, some proposals for improvements to Colombo harbour, and an interesting extract, appear on page 5.

The *Hogue*, cruiser, Capt. E. G. Shortland, is to be relieved on the China Station by the *Kent*, cruiser, which was to have her crew completed to full numbers at Chatham on January 2nd.

Sir Ewen Cameron has not been so well lately and has had to undergo a small operation in the back. He is now (Dec. 8th) progressing well and is expected to leave for Egypt early in the new year.

The mail papers give prominence to a collapse of the roof of Charing Cross station. Traffic was suspended for several days. There were many workmen injured, but the Times thought not more than four had been killed. The collapse involved the Avenue Theatre.

The Nobel prize for literature will be awarded to M. Henryk Sienkiewicz, the Polish author, and that for medicine to Professor Robert Koch of Berlin, says the *Dacoma* *Nichter*.

Mr. E. W. Tilden, lately agent in Hongkong of the Pacific Mail and Oriental Steamship Companies, has been appointed acting agent at Shanghai since Messrs. Pearson, Daniel and Co., who have resigned the agency.

Wall-street was expecting last month that before the announcement of the second moiety of the Japanese loan China would announce a loan of fifty millions sterling to repay Japan for restoring Manchuria to her, Japan meanwhile to occupy a portion of China opposite Formosa.

On Tuesday afternoon while a Chinaman was engaged in lifting logs to load trucks on the Praya at Kowloon his crowbar slipped and he fell heavily to the ground splitting his skull. He was removed to the hospital in a precarious condition.

A room boy in the employ of Mr. D. M. Mickle, of Lai-chi-ko, reported to the police that he had been robbed of a bundle of clothing on the road near Sham Sui Poi on January 3rd but the police after investigation are of the opinion that the story is a fabrication.

An incident which occurred at the sittings of the Supreme Court at Sale, Victoria, just ended has caused much local amusement, says the *Sydney Evening News*. In their wisdom the jury brought in a verdict of not guilty in a certain case, to the intense astonishment of the accused, who remarked that he would willingly "have taken three months without a trial." He further facetiously suggested that his "kind friends of the jury deserved six months in a pig shop with muzzles on." The unhappy jurymen are now going through an ordeal of banter at the hands of the townsfolk.

The death of Mr. William Gavin Stronach, formerly of the British Consular service in China, is reported. Mr. Stronach entered that service in 1881. He served in many places in China and Japan, and has left a number of artistic book illustrations of things he saw. He accompanied as artist the expedition of Sir James Hope up the Yangtszekiang in 1899, and his faithful brush has left its scenes at the bogus court of the Heavenly Kings (Taiping rebels), as also of the now almost forgotten tableaux of the three cities of Wu-chang, Han-yang, and Hankow as they then first presented themselves to the gaze of Western men.

Sir William Thibault-Dyer, whose resignation of the post of Director of the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew is announced, has held that appointment since 1885, and for ten years—1875-1885—before his promotion he was Assistant-Director. His successor, Lieutenant-Colonel David Prain, had a distinguished University career at Aberdeen and Edinburgh before he entered the Indian Medical Service in 1884. Three years after his arrival in India he was nominated Curator of Calcutta Herbarium; in 1893 he became Professor of Botany at the Medical College, Calcutta, and superintendent of the Royal Botanic Garden there, and in 1898 he was appointed Director of the Botanical Survey of India. He is 48 years of age.

The Central Committee of the German Navy League held a meeting on Dec. 2nd at which the following resolution was passed:—"The lessons of the Russo-Japanese war and the seriousness of the international political situation throughout the world once more urgently demonstrate the necessity of strengthening our naval forces in the interests of our country's security and for the maintenance of our position as a Great Power. It is therefore the duty of the German Navy League to put forth such exertions as shall ensure that the Reichstag shall not only approve the new Navy Bill, but that it shall also go beyond the demands of the Federated Governments, and urge the annual completion of a greater number of new constructions to take the place of inferior ships."

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Overture—"Haydn," Aubert.
Waltz—"Toreador," Strauss.
Selection—"Toreador," Strauss.
Serenade—"Love in Idleness," Macbeth.
Two Steps—"Dixie Land," Haines.
Dinner Menu—Anchovy on Toast, Soup—Sheep's Kidney, Beef Tea, Fish—Baked and Mushroom Sauce, Entree—Pigeon on Toast, Veal Cutlets and Green Peas, Fete de foie gras en aspic, Curry—Cauliflower, Joint—Roast Australian Leg of Mutton and Red Currant Jelly, Roast Turkey and Ham, Cold Meats—Wild Duck, Pheasant, Salad—Beetroot, Vegetables—Boiled Potatoes, Fried Potato Balls, Sweet Corn, Boiled Cabbage, Boiled Rice, Entree—Fruit Pie, Vanilla Ice Cream and Finger Cakes, Cheese, Fruit, Tea, Coffee, Preserved Mixed Fruits.

We have received the announcements for 1906 of the Tung Wen Institute at Amoy, an educational institute founded in 1898 by the American Consul and six wealthy Chinese merchants. The building erected in 1902 accommodates six hundred day scholars, and two hundred boarders. There are sixteen instructors. The object of the schools, as organized and conducted, is to provide opportunity for Chinese to get a thorough knowledge of the English language together with education in their mother tongue; to give them a sound business education; and to provide elementary instruction in the sciences. Religious teaching of all kinds is prohibited, but a respectful toleration of the various beliefs is insisted upon. "Respectful toleration" ought to be inculcated in every school, native or foreign, especially in missionary colleges.

The Times of Dec. 8th reports that the new P. & O. steamer *Peshawar* had to go into dock and be discharged at Antwerp, with her stern frame broken by an accident.

Readers are reminded that they have the privilege to-morrow (Friday) afternoon of inspecting the new steamer *Delta*, which will lie alongside Kowloon Wharf, and be open from three to six o'clock.

It is stated that the civil powder magazine, which is situated at Stonecutter's Island, is shortly to be removed to Green Island in order to give the military authorities complete possession of Stonecutter's.

The Reception Committee, charged with the duty of arranging a befitting welcome to H.R.H. Prince Arthur of Connaught on his arrival here next month, are, it is understood, making elaborate preparations for the event.

Considerable dissatisfaction is felt in London shipping circles at the decision of the Admiralty Court at St. Petersburg in dismissing the appeal against the decision of the Vladivostok Prize Court in the case of the British steamer *Knight Commander*.

Sir Henry Charles Fischer, C.M.G., late Controller of the Central Telegraph Department at the General Post Office, and a director of the Eastern Telegraph Company, died on November 30th, after an illness extending over some months.

Piracy continues to be a flourishing industry on the inland waterways of China, and merchants are afraid to ship by junk, and launches are not permitted to carry cargo. "To all petitions praying that this nuisance be stopped," says the Consul at Hangchow, "the officials turn a deaf ear, or reply that decent people do not travel at night!"

The following have been chosen to play for the Hongkong Football Club versus R.E. at Happy Valley to-day (Thursday). Kick off, 5 p.m.—Dr. F. H. Kow; E. F. Auscott and E. Humphreys; H. C. Gray, W. Grenside and A. Morley; A. N. Oller, R. D. Atkinson, W. E. Leckie, R. Miller and J. Mead.

The Standard China Company, with a capital of £100,000 in £1 shares, is formed to acquire lands, mines, mineral grants, mining rights, concessions, &c., in any part of the world, particularly in Yunnan, or elsewhere in China; to adopt an agreement between E. Campenon of the first part, P. Gantrell of the second part, R. Landt of the third part, A. Vautier of the fourth part, and R. de Magdon of the fifth part, and to carry on the business of miners, prospectors, explorers, &c.

A New York correspondent reports that Min Yung, the late Korean Minister in France, has arrived in New York, when the news was broken to him that his brother Prince Min had killed himself at Seoul owing to the Emperor having placed his country under Japanese control. Min Yung asked if the Japanese had not murdered him. He was assured that the Prince's act was quite voluntary, and admitted that, according to ancient practice, he ought likewise to take his own life. He remarked that the custom was obsolete.

Particulars are announced of seven wills disposing of property £2,168,937, from which the Treasury will receive about £212,000 in estate, legacy, and succession duties. Added to the £120,000 payable on ten wills published on 1st inst., this makes £332,000 which has fallen to the Treasury from death duties within a week. The largest of the estates is that of Earl Cowper, which is valued at £1,179,714 and which will pay in duties £130,000. Two other estates—those of Mr. J. E. Taylor, late proprietor of the *Manchester Guardian*, and of Mrs. Eliza Eyre—will pay duties of £28,000 and £24,000.

Londoners will be interested to read that motor-omnibuses ran through the city for the first time on December 4th, when the London Road-Car Company started a new service between Putney and Brompton-road, Mile End. The fare for the whole distance is 6d. The route is said to be the longest undertaken by motor omnibuses in and around London. The twenty miles from Putney to Mile End and back are accomplished (according to schedule time) in two hours and ten minutes. Horse omnibuses take four hours over the distance.

Great interest was manifested in a *jujitsu* contest, which took place at Bostock's Hippodrome, Paris, between Higashi, who claimed to be the world's champion, and Yukio Tani, who went over from London for the purpose of challenging Higashi's championship. After about two and a half minutes Higashi was compelled to surrender to a beautiful neck-lock. Higashi was hurt, and he said that this had been done by a foul hold. An uproar followed. The injured Higashi was carried forward by attendants to acknowledge the uproar. The affair ended with a shower of foot-stools and even opera-glasses on to the stage.

Engineer Captain Isaac E. Hurst, who for some time has been employed as engineer captain in charge of the fleet and reserve duties on the China Station, has been transferred from the receiving ship *Tamir* to the cruiser *Diadem*, the flagship. This officer, says the *Ld. C. Express*, has been 32 years in the service, and he was assistant engineer of the *Phaeton* during the operations of 1875-76 (Perak medal with clasp), and he was engineer of the *Tournoire* in the Egyptian war, 1882 (medal and Khedive's star). Engineer Commander G. T. Kerswell has been appointed to the *Tamir*. He was lately employed on the Thames in connection with submarine boats.

TELEGRAMS.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

THE RUSSIAN REVOLT.

LONDON, January 10th.
The revolt in the Baltic provinces and the Caucasus continues.

DEATH OF LORD RITCHIE.

LONDON, January 10th.
Lord Ritchie is dead.

GERMAN STATESMAN'S ILLNESS.

LONDON, January 10th.
Baron von Richthofen, German Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, has had a paralytic stroke and his condition is considered precarious.

A NEW ACADEMICIAN.

LONDON, January 10th.
Mr. Solomon J. Solomon has been elected a full R.A.

[Mr. Solomon was the artist who painted the mural decorations for the Royal Exchange.]

THE ELECTIONS.

LONDON, January 8th.
Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman in his electoral address says: By renouncing the undesirable characteristics which we formerly detected in their foreign policy, the Unionists have made it possible for us to pursue a substantial continuity of that policy, without departing from the friendly, unprovocative methods of past Liberal Governments. It will be our duty to uphold economy, self-government, civil and religious liberty, and free trade, to repair as far as possible the mischief wrought in recent years, and to secure social and economic reforms.

GREAT BRITAIN AND GERMANY.

LONDON, January 8th.
Meetings continue to be held in Germany in favour of friendly relations with Great Britain.

FRANCE.

LONDON, January 8th.
At the Triennial elections for the Senate, M. Jaures, the socialist, and his colleagues were badly beaten.

THE DISSOLUTION OF PARLIAMENT.

LONDON, January 8th.
The King signed the decree for the dissolution of Parliament yesterday.

M.M. VESSEL WRECKED.

Information has been received by Mr. Champagne, the Hongkong agent of the Messageries Maritimes Coy., that their cargo steamer *Cao-Bang* went ashore at Kulao Rai, on the Tonkin coast and is likely to become a total wreck. Two steamers are standing by her at present.

HOCKEY.

The following will represent the Club "H.M.S.S. *Acacia* and *Alacrité* on the Club Ground this afternoon at 4.45 p.m. Club to play in colours—Sub-Lt. Pforle, goal; T. C. Gray and F. W. Lyons, backs; P. K. Kayvet, O. P. Chatter, H. J. O. Barnett, halves; H. G. C. Bailey, E. Gaster, P. J. Woodhouse, J. Hooper and L. G. Bird forwards.

THE "KNIGHT COMMANDER" CASE.

The decision of the Vladivostok Prize Court justifying the sinking of the British steamer *Knight Commander*—which was given as long ago as August, 1894, has been upheld by the Russian Admiralty Court. The British Foreign Office has not concealed its view of the case—the sinking was publicly described by Lord Lansdowne as an "outrage"—but it was held that diplomatic pressure could not be exercised until after the legal remedies had been exhausted. Legal remedies have failed, and one may hope that, as Sir C. Hardinge, who is fully acquainted with the details, is about to leave the St. Petersburg Embassy for the Foreign Office, the case will not be allowed to be forgotten. There is at issue much more than the value of the hull and cargo of a steamer. The question is whether a belligerent can at pleasure or convenience sink a neutral steamer sailing from a neutral port with, generally, a non-contraband cargo, and refuse to pay for the damage done. The *Knight Commander* was British; she was bound from New York to China and Japan, and her cargo was a general one. The only part of the cargo which might possibly have been held to be contraband was some bridge-work and railway trucks; but the presence of this material—even if it could be proved to be for military use—while affording a ground for seizure and trial, could hardly justify the sinking of the vessel and all the innocent cargo carried—*Times*.

CANTON.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

January, 9th.

NEW YEAR FIRES.

The settlement of accounts at the closing of Chinese New Year is responsible for most of the complications that occur here at this time of the year. There is no other reason why fires should be more frequent in Winter than in Summer, as the Chinese do not use any form of heating apparatus whatsoever. On the 7th inst., at Midnight, a fire occurred in Chuk-wan-sha and two houses were burned. This having been a bad year, lamps will be encouraged to explode and fire will no doubt be numerous this season.

A QUEER PRANK.

A curious affair has just occurred in the To-Kong Village. A quarrel recently arose between villagers and a man named Lun was killed by another named Leung and his fellows. On the 7th inst., The Poon-Yu Magistrate sent out his deputies to investigate the matter. A band of robbers hearing of the affair impersonated the officials and under pretext of carrying on their investigation ransacked four houses belonging to the Leung clan. The real officials arrived on the scene after the departure of the robbers and were badly handled by the villagers who disarmed their escort and threw the deputy in prison. Robbers were soon explained however and the party were subsequently released. Chinese robbers are not devoid of humour and are always ready to play all manner of tricks on their hereditary enemies the officials.

CANTON WATER-POLICE.

This service is being rapidly organized and it is reported that it will soon be provided with thirteen launches.

LIKIN REVENUE COLLECTORS ALERT.

The head of the Canton Likin bureau has issued instructions to his subordinates to discover and record the number of foreign firms in the City and to report the names of the firms that carry on business under a foreign name with Chinese Capital, so that the Board might deal with the latter to put a stop to such practice.

IMPORTANT SEIZURE OF OPIUM.

A few days ago an important seizure of opium was made on board the Macao steamer *Awangtung*. The Customs officers discovered 300 tins of opium and have confiscated the lot.

BIG CHINESE SPORTS MEETING.

Forty-seven Colleges and Schools will send their scholars to participate in the sports that are to be held on the 10th and 11th inst., at the East Gate Parade ground. Military surgeons and the ambulance corps will be present to attend the injured, if any. Each college will have its flag hoisted on the grounds. A great crowd is expected to assemble there and police precautions are being taken to prevent any disturbance occurring during the sports.

GERMANY AND JAPAN.

SOCIALIST VALUATION OF SHANTUNG.
The Reichstag, on Dec. 6th, began the debate upon the first reading of the Estimates when Count Bismarck, in replying to questions, spoke as follows regarding the value of Shantung.

As regards East Asia, Japan has always recognised that our attitude before, during, and after the war was correct and loyal. Our relations with Japan are good and friendly. I know that Japan binds herself by Treaties concluded. Therefore I do not believe that Japan would wish to infringe well-established Treaty rights. I believe that the Japanese people, who have thoroughly their bravery and intelligence was for themselves a position among the Great Powers, are anxious to consolidate and secure that position by a policy inspiring confidence. That the new Anglo-Japanese Treaty is likely to affect our position in East Asia cannot so far be assumed. Naturally it depends upon the spirit in which the Treaty is interpreted and executed. In the text there is nothing contrary to the aims which we are ourselves pursuing in East Asia. We have striven there for nothing but the open door for our commerce and our industry, and we seek for the greatest possible securities for peace and the maintenance of the integrity and independence of China. Those were and are the aims of our East Asiatic policy. The purposes of the Anglo-Japanese Alliance as publicly expounded by Lord Lansdowne at the beginning of November are perfectly reconcilable with this policy. We have particularly never permitted a doubt that we are pursuing any but economic aims in Shantung. We have always indicated the restoration of peace in East Asia, as the favourable moment for the withdrawal of our East Asiatic military contingent, and following upon the ratification of the Portsmouth Peace Treaty we proposed evacuation to all the Powers concerned. The details of the evacuation, which is intended to be simultaneous and *pari passu*, are at present being discussed by the representatives of the Powers at Peking in conjunction with the military commanders. I think that the evacuation may, to all intents and purposes, take place after navigation is reopened—that is to say, at the beginning of spring.

In the course of the debate that followed, Admiral von Tirpitz, Secretary of State for the Navy Department, spoke in defence of the naval proposals. He said that the Russo-Japanese war showed that ships must be still more protected below the water line against submarine explosion.

Herr Böbel (Social Democrat leader), in addressing the House, said Germany, through her intervention in 1895, shared the blame for the Russo-Japanese war. Germany's East Asiatic policy was madness. In a war with England the whole of Germany's colonies would be lost within a fortnight. The colonies were not worth the sacrifices they demanded.

TOBACCO-GROWING IN IRELAND.

THE FIRST FACTORY.

Experiments having been carried out on a small scale for six years by Colonel N. T. Everard, D.L., on his estate at Randlestown, near Navan, County Meath, the crop last year and this was, by arrangement of the Irish Department of Agriculture and the Board of Inland Revenue, extended to twenty acres, results that are most promising for the establishment of this new cultivation in Ireland. With a refund of one-third the duty, it appears that tobacco of very fair quality can be grown, which gives a net profit to the grower of over £11 per statute acre. The *Daily Graphic* gives illustrations of the factory which Colonel Everard has erected for dealing with the crops. Colonel Everard has just been elected president of the Irish Agricultural Organisation Society.

SUPREME COURT.

Wednesday, January 10th.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE SIR FRANCIS PIGOTT (CHIEF JUSTICE).

MISREPRESENTATION IN A CHINESE WILL.

An application, arising out of an action between Wong Shue (widow of Ng Kwai Kwong, deceased) and Ng Chi Wai and others, was made regarding the division of deceased's property.

Mr. Pollock said he appeared for all parties except the deceased's infant grandson, Ng Ping Wong, who was represented by Mr. H. G. Calthrop.

The case had been discussed in Chambers, but was taken into the Court in order that argument might ensue as to whether Wong Shue, as trustee and executrix, had power to divide the residue, personal estate, etc., of deceased; and as to who were the persons entitled to such, in what shares and proportions, and how the costs were to be borne.

Mr. Pollock stated that when the will was first laid before him he was doubtful as to a certain point in the translation. He found his doubt confirmed on investigation, and would call evidence to clear the matter up. Under the will the three sons, on coming of age, were to assist in the management of the business left by deceased. Counsel submitted that the word "management" was therein misinterpreted. It meant that the three sons were to enjoy the business beneficially—not only to manage it.

Mr. Li Hong Mi, Supreme Court Interpreter, and the court translator gave evidence in support of Mr. Pollock's contention.

Mr. Pollock pointed out that one of the sons, after attaining his majority, died, leaving a widow and infant son.

After further argument, the Chief Justice decreed that under the true construction of the will the three sons were entitled to a beneficial interest of one-third of the estate upon attainment of full age; that administration of the estate should be taken for the infant son; that deceased son's share in household in the Colony be divided, one-third to his widow and two-thirds to his infant son; that one-third share of the pure personality be divided according to the law of his domicile, i.e., China; that the costs of all parties as between solicitor and client be taxed and paid out of the estate.

A DISPUTED CONTRACT.

Yee Shan Hon Koo sued Ho Ping Yin and others to recover the sum of \$5,700 due for architects' certificates.

Mr. M. W. Slade, instructed by Mr. F. X. d'Almeida e Castro, appeared for the plaintiff, the defendant being unrepresented.

The statement of claim showed that on March 28th a contract was entered into between plaintiff and defendants whereby the former agreed to erect certain oil godowns at Tsikokui. Work was commenced, three architects' certificates being granted. One of those was paid for, but the remaining two, totalling the amount claimed, were still unpaid.

Mr. Slade said there was only one defendant in Court, and he consented to judgment.

The disbursements being proved partners in the firm, his Lordship delivered judgment and costs for the plaintiff.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE MR. A. G. WISE (PUNEE, JUDGE).

A DISPUTED BALANCE.

Ip Fat On, trading as the Mow Cheung, at Nos. 127 and 129 Upper Main Street, Kowloon, claimed from Ip Sun Kuei, of No. 131 the same street the sum of \$1,000, being balance of a sum advanced by the plaintiff at the request of the defendant for the construction of the defendant's house.

Mr. Otto Kung Sing appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. R. A. Harding for the defendant.

Mr. Kung Sing said the full amount due was \$1,350, but the plaintiff had waived \$350 in order to bring the claim within summary jurisdiction. The claim was partly for goods sold and delivered.

His Lordship said he thought it was a question of title, but apparently it was nothing of the sort.

Mr. Harding submitted that it was a question as to whether the money was paid by him or by his friend's client.

Mr. Kung Sing stated that in 1901 a piece of land was bought on behalf of the defendant, and paid for by the plaintiff. Subsequently a house was built upon this piece of land by the defendant, and the contract was paid for by the plaintiff at the request of the defendant. The defendant had repaid part of the sum owing, but there was still a balance of \$1,350 due, \$1,000 of which the plaintiff now claimed.

The plaintiff's books were produced, and he gave evidence. One book contained an entry to the effect that he had received so much on account of the amount in dispute. He denied making this entry, but said his son wrote it.

His Lordship—Is the writing on the other page yours?

Witness—Yes.

His Lordship—Then the entry in question is yours.

Witness—No. It is my son's.

His Lordship—Is your son here?

Witness—Yes.

His Lordship—Are you going to bring him up to tell as many stories as you are telling?

Witness—Yes.

His Lordship said the plaintiff probably thought he was going to get a share out of his father's estate, but when he found he did not, he decided to make this claim. As far as he had gone, no one

could believe a word of what he said. The son would be useless to society if he were as big a liar as his Lordship supposed his father to be. Plaintiff continued to contradict himself as to the writing of other entries in his books.

His Lordship—Chinese don't keep their books in that fashion.

Witness—I am not acquainted with my own laws (laughter).

His Lordship—You are acquainted with some of ours, I think.

A second witness was called to support the plaintiff's claim, but he stated that \$600 of the amount in dispute had been paid.

Mr. Harding, for the defence, submitted that the plaintiff had not made out a case. One of his own witnesses showed that \$600 alleged to be owing had been paid. The credit for goods was also paid.

After hearing the evidence for the defence his Lordship said he thought the plaintiff believed that he was going to get the house and land, when the decision of the Land Court ousted him. He did not believe a word of the plaintiff's story from beginning to end, and at one time thought of sending him to gaol, but that would not be much good. He hoped he would not see him again. There would be judgment for the defendant with costs.

POLICE COURT.

Wednesday, January 10th.

BEFORE MR. P. A. HAZELAND (FIRST POLICE MAGISTRATE).

AN IMPUDENT THEFT.

A Chinaman, who had the hardihood to enter Yau-mat Police Station and steal a watch and chain belonging to a European cook and afterwards pawn it, was sentenced to three weeks hard labour and six hours in the stocks.

STEALING FISH.

A native was sentenced to three weeks hard labour for stealing fish. He helped himself to some of the stock of a hawker and made off but on this occasion the policeman was in the right place. The delinquent ran right into the arms of an Indian constable who promptly arrested him.

JAPANESE STOWAWAYS.

Two Japanese were charged with stowing away on the Nippon Maru and a third was charged with aiding and abetting. It appeared the two former had requested the latter, who was employed on the ship to assist them. He did so and got them to work for him in return, the officers not detecting any change.

Inspector Langley said the third defendant ought to have reported the presence of those stowaways.

The case was remanded for further evidence.

BEFORE MR. C. D. MELBOURNE (SECOND POLICE MAGISTRATE).

A FORCIBLE ARGUMENT.

A coolie was charged with assaulting another the previous day. The two men, who were employed cooling the s.s. Kowloon, quarrelled, the defendant being of the opinion that the other was not working quickly enough. He threw a piece of coal at the other, smashing his eye. As complainant could not appear the case was demanded.

THE RUSSIAN ARMY IN MANCHURIA.

DESTITUTE AND MUTILATED.

M. Gaston, telegraphist to the Matsui, says that according to letters from Manchuria the situation there is terrible. It appears that the soldiers are in a state of destitution, which says would explain their daily mutinies against their officers. It would also appear that General Linvitch's position is very difficult. The New York Herald (Paris edition) confirms this, and says that General Linvitch keeps urging the Government to hasten the departure of the troops, whose attitude of insubordination imperils the lives of the officers. According to the Herald, General Linvitch says that unless ships are sent forthwith he will engage any transports he can find. These are asking, it is said, 300 roubles (300 a man. An English syndicate offered a month ago a large transport service at 78 roubles a head, but the Government hesitated and since then shipping rates have greatly risen. The same syndicate to day asks 130 roubles. The Government says this is too much. Meanwhile, concludes the Herald, the vast army in Manchuria is in a state of mutinous effervescence, which is liable to result in one of the biggest scandals the military world has ever known.

THE CHINA SQUADRON.

Concerning the new cruisers for the China Squadron, the N. and M. Record writes as follows:

The drafting department at the Royal Naval Dockyard, Devonport, has received orders to prepare drafts for service on the China station, and it is understood that the Admiralty have decided to augment the British fleet in those waters. It will be remembered that on the conclusion of the Russo-Japanese war the British naval strength in the Far East was reduced by the withdrawal of all the battleships, but early in the New Year it is proposed to replace some of the vessels by cruisers. The first of these to join the China division of the Eastern fleet, as it is now termed, will be the Duke of Edinburgh, which last week concluded a series of steam and gun trials and is now being completed for sea at Pembroke Dock. The next vessel to join the China Squadron will be the Donegal, which was quite recently relieved in the first cruiser squadron by the Devonshire. The Donegal, at present she is in dock having her annual refit. It is also expected that when the new cruiser Natal is completed she will be sent to the Far East.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The C.P.R. str. Empress of India arrived at Yokohama at 11.30 a.m. on Tuesday, the 9th Jan., and left again at 6 p.m. same day for Kobe, where she was due to arrive at 8 p.m. yesterday.

The C.P.R. str. Tartar left Vancouver on Monday, the 8th Jan., p.m., for Hongkong via the usual ports of call.

CORRESPONDENCE.

ACCOMMODATION ON THE PEAK TRAMWAY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

Hongkong, January 10th.

SIR,—A Regular Passenger's communication, which appears in to-day's issue of your esteemed paper, on the above, is certainly not untimely. There is not the slightest doubt that the said communication expresses the feelings of everyone using the trams, more especially of those who live at "The Peak," and I venture to compliment "A Regular Passenger" upon his ability as a weather expert to have made arrangements for the "sailing" of his feelings in the matter on such an appropriate morning as this morning was.

He evidently wanted to make sure that his grievance would be appreciated by even the most recent arrivals to our "beautiful island," whose scenery as yet to them is likely to be considered an adequate compensation for any and all what at their present stage they might be inclined to call minor trifles.

While all the stations en route suffer from the same inconveniences, still, I think that, if put to a vote, there would be an overwhelming majority for any improvements that might be forthcoming to be devoted to the upper terminus first.

Everyone knows that the High Level Tramways is one of the best, if not the best, of local investments, and I think it might be urged in all fairness that there should be some consideration for those whose patronage help to make it such.

With reference to the lack of space which "A Regular Passenger" says might be put forward as the reason for insufficient accommodation, I do not think that such a reason could stand, viewed from an unbiased and practical standpoint.

At the lower station I think that if the room which has the telephone in it was converted into a waiting-room, with windows looking on to the station, it would be more useful and certainly more appreciated than it is at present. Half the passengers do not know, I feel sure, whether it is a room for passengers' use or whether it is a private room for the use of the "staff."

At the upper station, I submit the following as a practical suggestion, and one which would not involve a considerable outlay—which fact I take it would go a long way if ever the subject should be discussed by the management—that a portion, if only one room of the many of the station premises now used as residential chambers for bachelors, might be devoted to a waiting-room, which would be greatly appreciated at this season of the year, especially by ladies at night time, whose social obligations take them to the lower levels, when having had to stand on the upper station, attired according to, and, may I say, victims of, the vagaries of Dame Fashion, not only has it made them uncomfortable and in a measure spoilt their evening's enjoyment as well as their clothes, but probably been responsible for a doctor's call a day or so afterwards.

It might be argued that the above quarters are provided by the Company as accommodation for the officer in charge of the working department of the line, but such being the case, if there is sufficient room for five or six lodgers beside such officers—and I think without committing myself I can say I have known of five other people living on the premises at the same time—it is obvious that the Company's servants are being lavishly provided for at the expense of their patrons' comfort.

If the residential chambers are of any great source of revenue to the shareholders, it might be regarded as a drawback calculated to depreciate the dividends, by asking that a part of such chambers be converted into a waiting room, but, as I understand it does not affect the Company's source of income whatever—being quite a private matter—I think the request might easily be acceded.

Thanking you for the publication and enclosing my card,

"ANOTHER REGULAR PASSENGER."

THE DEATH RATE: LOWEST IN 1904.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

DEAR SIR,—I regret to find that owing to a small error in the calculation of the total Chinese deaths, our general death-rate for 1905 was 17.4 per 1,000, instead of 16.7 as stated in my speech yesterday. Therefore, 1904, with its general death-rate of 16.9, remains the lowest on record for the present. The rate for Chinese taken separately was 17.4, and for non-Chinese 17.5.—Faithfully yours,

FRANCIS CLARK.

PUBLIC DANCES IN HONGKONG.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

DEAR SIR,—Referring to the letter in the Daily Press to-day over the signature of "Gowan," suggesting the advisability of appointing an M. C. to give directions at our public dances, it occurs to me to suggest that the idea is an excellent one for practice dances, such as are usually arranged by the St. Andrew's Society. My purpose in writing, however, is to ask whether the Committee in charge of the arrangements for St. George's Ball intend holding any practice dances in the City Hall. If not, I am sure an early publication of the dance programme in the press would be much appreciated by those who have been invited to the ball.—Yours,

TEEPSICHOE.

THE MACAO BAZAAR.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

SIR,—According to the decision of the meeting at which the accounts of the bazaar of September 30th and October 1st, 1905, for the benefit of the Schools of St. Francis Xavier, were approved, the receipts were \$2,195.36 and the expenses \$382.62, leaving \$1,812.74 clear. This statement was delayed until replies came from Times.

The prizes offered for this charitable object numbered 3,254. Other prizes were bought for \$135.10 on the supposition that all the one dollar and the ten cent tickets had been bought up, so that many prizes remained over which will be made use of for the same object when a fit occasion offers.

The co-operation of the excursionists from Hongkong, who are wont to add to the splendour of these bazars, was greatly missed; but we are aware that they did not come on account of the bad weather, and chiefly because they were anxious to be present at the consecration of the new bishop, and in this they are worthy of praise.

The different committees of the bazaar are very much obliged for the kind help received, and they wish to express their thanks to all. The Reverend Director of the above-mentioned schools has furnished us with the results of the bazaar and wishes us to record in this place his profound gratitude to all who so generously took part in this work of benevolence.

He wishes especially to thank His Excellency the Governor, Sir Martinho Pinto de Queiroz Montenegro for his great kindness in giving his help and patronage; the charity and zeal of all the well-deserving committees; the good help of the press; the devotedness of the esteemed band of the "Guarda Republicana," and the generosity of the ladies and gentlemen who helped in a particular manner and whose names we omit in order not to offend their modesty.—Yours truly,

ADRIANO DE SOUSA GOMES. (PROMOTER).

MR. OLIVER BAINBRIDGE AND CHINESE JEWS.

The Jewish Chronicle has an excellent photograph of Mr. Oliver Bainbridge, the distinguished traveller, lecturer, and scientist, and a letter from a correspondent in Shanghai, which tells of his return there, "after a visit to Kaifengfu, the ancient capital and centre of the Middle Kingdom, in search of information regarding the Chinese Jews."

After wandering day by day through mosques, temples, palaces, and shrines, he was rewarded by obtaining some magnificent photographs and two valuable and very ancient documents, and a box containing a "Sefer Torah," supposed to be four hundred years old. He made so favourable an impression on the few remaining Jews that they asked him to present a petition, drawn up and signed by them, to their brethren in England and other countries across the sea, asking for assistance to rebuild the synagogue and gather together the remnants of the once mighty community of the Chinese Jews.

Mr. Bainbridge was cordially entertained by their Excellencies of the Foreign Office and all the high officials of the city, who conferred on him every honour within their power. The Chinese Mohammedans, Mr. Bainbridge tells us, have a great dislike to the Jews; in fact, so great is their hatred towards them that they suspect him of being a Jewish Rabbi when he came to Kaifengfu.

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Mr. Bainbridge ultimately gained the goodwill of the Mohammedans, who presented him, on the eve of his departure, with the above-mentioned box of the sacred scroll. It is stated that over one thousand dollars was offered to the Mohammedans by other foreigners for the box, but the offer was declined. Mr. Bainbridge will give a lecture on the subject of the Black Jews and Chinese Jews.

His Britannic Majesty's Consul-General, Sir Polham Warren, K. C. M. G., has consented to preside. Mr. Bainbridge's countless notices from every nook and corner of the earth are unanimous in their praise, both as to the brilliancy of his humour and the solidity of his intellect.

I understand that Mrs. W. H. Shield, District Inspector of the Chinese Imperial Post, Kaifengfu, writes to us as follows:—"I have had the honour of entertaining Mr. Oliver Bainbridge, F.R.S., F.R.G.S., etc., the distinguished traveller and scientist, during his visit to Kaifengfu, the ancient capital and centre of the Middle Kingdom, in search of information regarding the Chinese Jew, and am astounded at his wonderful perseverance and ability in collecting data."

The Jewish Chronicle adds:—"Mr. Hu Chin Hiao writes to us from Kaifeng, Honan, Central China, to say that Mr. Oliver Bainbridge's researches into the history of the few remaining 'Chinese Jews' have been attended with much success. He has carefully photographed with great disadvantages owing to the unfavourable attitude and superstition of the natives) met, women, children, stones, ruins, temples, etc., which have any bearing on the past of these strange people. Mr. Bainbridge is visiting Japan to investigate certain statements made to him in relation to some Jewish types. He will then proceed to India on his way to London to superintend the publication of a book he is writing on this interesting subject."

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While the steamer Wandsworth was leaving Shields harbour on Dec. 2nd, bound for Port Arthur with a cargo of guns from Blawick, five Chinese coolies jumped over the side into the water and swam towards the shore. Four of them got safely to land. The fifth was drowned. The Wandsworth continued on her voyage, twenty-two Chinamen on the ship, including the five referred to, applied to the Newcastle magistrates to be released, as the ship had changed hands. This was denied, and the men were ordered aboard ship again.

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Hongkong, 11th January, 1906.

NAMES AND NO NAMES.

"Henceforth nicknames are to be abolished in the Navy." At first sight the announcement seems absurd. At the second it suggests an impossibility. At the third its formidable aspect decreases, the Admiralty's only object being to discourage excessive familiarity between petty officers and seamen, which has led to disturbances of order and discipline.

If they were to imagine that, by a mere order, accompanied by threats of punishment, they could prevent all sorts and conditions in the Royal Navy from describing Sir John Fisher as "Jacky," the Admiralty would doubtless be grievously disappointed. It would be as ridiculous as to suppose that "Bohs" would be known as well by the appellation of Lord Roberts. The whole strength of the Navy, Army, and Auxiliary Forces, backed by an Act of Parliament, the eloquence of Lord Rosebery, and the great guns of Mr. John Burns, would not suffice to discourage men from addressing the man they like or the man they utterly abhor by a nickname.

A nickname, indeed, the only means left us of expressing in public affection, our esteem, or our dislike of a brother man. It is a rough measure of the appreciation in which we hold him. By our nicknames we are judged. The names handed down to us by our forefathers convey no meaning at all. They are useful to put above our shop doors, on our bill-heads, or to sign cheques with. For the more practical and sordid purposes of life they will serve. As a means of becoming intimate and not superficially known to our fellows, they are very little more good than the numbers or the elegant titles affixed to our flats and villas.

By "Mr. Gladstone," for instance, we recognise a worthy citizen, a statesman of parts, and a scholar. "Grand Old Man" is needed to assure us of the influence he wielded over the hearts and minds of the people of his generation. "Sir John Fisher" means an administrator seated somewhere in the clouds of Whitehall, whereas "Jacky" is one of the contemporaries, to the esteem of the sailor aloft, to the confidence of the tar-payer ashore.

"Palmerston" was only a peer; "Pam," the guardian of his country, "Beaconsfield" was a successful politician; "Dizzy" a leader of serried forces, who threw a spell over the mind of every Conservative soldier. Would "Napoleon Bonaparte" have persuaded the French army to rally to his banner after Elba? It was the "Little Corporal" who compelled them, then, as he had compelled them in Germany, Russia, and all over Europe. For the "Little Corporal" they died at Waterloo; for no richly gifted general or iconoclastic dictator.

To have a nickname is to be richly endowed. To have many is an embarrassment. Mr. Balfour, for example, has suffered as a political figure from a variety of familiar titles. Plain "Joe" is much better as a means of keeping a man vividly before the people. Wherever would "Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman" have been at this moment if sheer force and variety of consonants and vowels had not driven over-taxed tongues to reduce him to "C.B."?

To run over the list of Englishmen who are doing big work in the world would be a long and tedious task. It could have, however, but one conclusion. We should be convinced that, though a man may become a figure on the name busts, by his ancestors and by his godfathers and godmothers in his baptism, he can hardly be familiar or genuinely popular as long as he lacks a nickname. Great and good, celebrated, and best-starred, initiated with "O.M.," and "V.C.," and "K.G.," and all the rest of them, he may boast himself or be acclaimed; but a homely "Jack" or "Bill" is worth, so far as popularity is concerned, more than all the initials that cover printed notices of new papers, that all the stars ever invented by man for the glorification of man.

If we be great, let us then rejoice in our nickname. If we be humble, let us rest content with it. In either case—provided it be not obnoxious—it means we are not a bad sort.—Evening Standard.

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R. P. SCHWERTIN,
President, O. & O. S.S. Co.,
V.P. & G.M. P.M.S.S. Co.,
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec 9, 1905

THE HONGKONG LAND RECLAMATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTH ORDINARY MEETING of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, Victoria Buildings, on SATURDAY, the 20th JANUARY, 1906, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1905.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED on TUESDAY, the 16th January, to SATURDAY, the 20th January (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 11th January, 1906. [196]

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the EIGHTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, Victoria Buildings, on THURSDAY, the 1st FEBRUARY, 1906, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1905.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED on SATURDAY, the 20th January, to THURSDAY, the 1st FEBRUARY (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 11th January, 1906. [192]

THE WEST POINT BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the EIGHTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, Victoria Buildings, on THURSDAY, the 1st FEBRUARY, 1906, at 11.30 o'clock A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1905.

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By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 11th January, 1906. [193]

THE WEST POINT BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

GOVERNMENT BILLS.

TENDERS for SPECIE, BRITISH and MEXICAN DOLLARS, current in this Colony, in Exchange for Sterling Bills drawn at 10 days sight on the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, London, will be received by the Chief Paymaster, Army Pay Department, until 11 a.m. on the 15th January, 1906.

The Tenders to state the total amount (in Pounds Sterling) and the amount for which each Bill should be drawn, but no Bills will be issued for less than £100.

The Tenders to be in Duplicate, and in Sealed Covers, addressed to the CHIEF PAYMASTER, Army Pay Department, and endorsed "TENDERS FOR GOVERNMENT BILLS."

The right to accept or reject any or all of the Tenders is reserved.

Copies of Forms of Tender can be had on application.

J. R. GALE, Capt. A.P.D.,
H.M. Treasury Chest Officer,
His Majesty's Treasury Office,
Fletcher Street,
Hongkong, 11th January, 1906. [191]

S.S. "CALEDONIAN."

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London ex Bagdad and Charente, from Havre ex Bagdad, from Bordeaux ex s.s. Ville de Caen, from St. Nazaire ex s.s. Ville de Boulogne, in connection with above Steamers, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasures and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the magazines and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 6 P.M., To-day, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after Wednesday, the 17th January, at Noon will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before 17th January, or they will not be recognised.

All damaged packages will be examined on Wednesday, the 17th January, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent,
Hongkong, 9th January, 1906. [2]

NEW ADVERTISEMENT

FOR SHANGHAI AND CHINKIANG.
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Hongkong, 11th January, 1906. [194]

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"KUTSANG,"
having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

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Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.
Hongkong, 10th January, 1906. [18]

HONGKONG GUN CLUB.

THE ANNUAL CHAMPIONSHIP COMPETITION will take place on SATURDAY, the 13th January, at 4 P.M. A Ladies' Nomination Prize will also be shot for.

Hongkong, 10th January, 1906. [183]

VICTORIA CHAPTER No. 525 E.C.

A REGULAR CONVOCATION of the VICTORIA CHAPTER will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL, TONIGHT (THURSDAY), the 11th inst., at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely. Visiting Companions are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 9th January, 1906. [173]

P. & O. S. N. Co.

NOTICE.

THE Company's new steamer "DELTA" will be open to PUBLIC INSPECTION, alongside the KOWLOON WHARF, MORROW (FRIDAY), 12th January, 3 P.M. to 6 P.M.

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 9th January, 1906. [177]

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M. S. NORTHCOTE,
Business Manager.
Hongkong, 4th January, 1906. [148]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE 1906 RACE MEETING will be held on MONDAY, 12th FEBRUARY, and Two FOLLOWING DAYS, not on the 1st, 2nd and 3rd March, as previously arranged for. ENTRIES will CLOSE on SATURDAY, 20th JANUARY NEXT.

In all other respects the programme as issued will stand.

By Order,
T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 4th January, 1906. [147]

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE NINTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the OFFICES of the Company, St. George's Building, No. 6, Connaught Road, on SATURDAY, 20th JANUARY, 1906, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1905, declaring a Dividend and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED on WEDNESDAY, the 17th January, until SATURDAY, the 20th January, 1906, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 6th January, 1906. [164]

ST. GEORGE'S BALL.

SUBSCRIBERS to ST. GEORGE'S BALL are requested to forward their Subscriptions to the undersigned not later than the 15th inst.

W. C. D. TURNER,
Hon. Treasurer,
Care of H. & S. BANK.
Hongkong, 5th January, 1906. [152]

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Hongkong, 12th January, 1906. [220]

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by us at the Philippine Bureau of Patents, Copyrights and Trade Marks, and that anybody introducing this Brand into the Philippine Islands will be at once PROSECUTED.

MANILA, 5th January, 1906.

MEERKAMP & CO. [185]

NOTICE.

In the Estate of the late JOSEPH PHILLIPS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all claims against the estate of JOSEPH PHILLIPS, deceased, who died at Foochow, in the Empire of China, on 24th September, 1905, must be sent in to the undersigned not later than 10th February, and all persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make payment to the undersigned before the above mentioned date.

GIBSON BALLOCH,
CHARLES SKERRETT-ROGERS
Executors.

Foochow, 3rd January, 1906. [174]

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HERBERT L. BEER, L.C.P.,
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Hongkong, 15th December, 1905. [2832]

NOTICES OF FIRMS

THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES.

I HAVE this day APPOINTED Messrs. SHEWAN, TOMES & CO. GENERAL MANAGERS for Hongkong for the above Society, in the place of Mr. F. KIENE, whose engagement has been terminated.

J. T. HAMILTON,
General Manager for the East.
Hongkong, 15th November, 1905. [92]

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J. T. HAMILTON,
Manager for the East.
Hongkong, 15th November, 1905. [93]

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Hongkong, 16th December, 1905. [2844]

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[BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE].
PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE

OF VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY, Known as "THE METROPOLITAN HOTEL," to be sold by

PUBLIC AUCTION, To-day (THURSDAY), the 11th day of January, 1906, at 3 P.M., at his

SALE ROOM, by Mr. GEO. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.

BEING all that piece or parcel of ground situate at Shaukiwan Road, Victoria, Hongkong, containing an area of 207,000 square feet and known and registered in the Land Office as Inland Lot No. 1705. The said premises are held for the term of 999 years granted by a Crown Lease dated the 1st day of February, 1904, subject to the payment of the Annual Crown Rent of \$378 and to the performance of the Lessee's covenants in the said Crown Lease reserved and contained.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to

F. X. D'ALMADA & CASTRO,
Vendor's Solicitor,
or to

Mr. GEO. P. LAMBERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 30th December, 1905. [111]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,

To-day (THURSDAY), the 11th January, 1906, commencing at 3.30 P.M., at his SALES ROOMS, Duddell Street.

A QUANTITY OF JAPANESE CURIOS,

SATSUMA AND KINKOSAN SATSUMA WARE, CLOISONNE and SILVER CLOISONNE VASES and BOWLS, KUTANI and IMARI WARE, FINE BRASSES and LACQUERED PANELS, SCREENS, &c., &c.

Also

A Quantity of SILK EMBROIDERED HANGINGS, BEDDERS, CUSHION COVERS, &c., &c.

And

A Fine Selection of WATER COLOURS. TERMS—As Customary.

On View from Tuesday, the 9th January, 1906.

GEO. P. LAMBERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 9th January, 1906. [178]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,

FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONSIGNED, On SATURDAY,

the 13th January, 1906, at 11 A.M., at their SALES ROOMS, No. 8, Des Vaux Road (Corner of Ice House Street).

A Large Assortment of ENGRAVINGS and PICTURES, GOLD and SILVER WATCHES, BRACELETS, CLOTHING, BOOTS and SHOES, TELESCOPES, &c., &c.

Also

A Quantity of SILVER and IVORY WARE, E.P. DESSERT KNIVES and FORKS, SATSUMA BOWLS and PLATES, SILKS, &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 10th January, 1906. [187]

[BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE].

PUBLIC AUCTION.

MESSRS. HUGHES & HOUGH have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

On MONDAY,

the 15th day of January, 1906, at 3 P.M., at their SALES ROOMS, the following

VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY situate at Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, viz:—

ALL THAT piece or parcel of ground situate at Victoria, aforesaid, and registered in the Land Office as SECTION A of MARINE LOT No. 10A, consisting by superficial measurement 2,800 square feet and having a frontage to Queen's Road Central of 30 feet and 6 inches or thereabouts and a depth of 80 feet. On this Section stands the very valuable house and premises known as No. 35 Queen's Road Central. All the said premises are held for the residue of a term of 994 years granted by a Crown Lease of MARINE LOT No. 10A and which Lease is dated 18th April, 1855.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to

JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER,
Solicitors for the Mortgagee,

or to

Messrs. HUGHES & HOUGH,
Government Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1906. [126]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

BY AN ORDER OF THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

MESSRS. HUGHES & HOUGH have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction

On WEDNESDAY,

the 17th day of January, 1906, at 12 Noon, at their SALES ROOMS, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, (Corner of Ice House Street).

THE FOLLOWING

THE VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY,

situated at Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, viz:—

All that piece or parcel of ground situated at Victoria, aforesaid, and intended to be registered in the Land Office as Section "A" of Inland Lot No. 178, containing by superficial measurement 770 square feet or thereabouts and having a frontage to Peel Street of 19 feet 7 inches and a depth of 45 feet. On this Section stands the house and premises known as No. 19, PEEL STREET. All the said premises are held for the residue of the terms of 75 years and 224 years granted by a Crown Lease and Indenture of Extension of Lease dated the 11th day of October, 1844, and the 1st day of July, 1862, respectively.

For further particulars and conditions of Sale, apply to

OTTO KONG SING,
Solicitor for the Plaintiff;

or to

Messrs. HUGHES & HOUGH,
Government Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 8th January, 1906. [169]

TO LET

TO LET.

No. 74, CAINE ROAD.

No. 2, MACDONNELL ROAD.

Apply to—
COMPRADORE'S DEPARTMENT,
Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
Tongkong, 3rd June, 1905. [80]

TO LET.

"TIANG YUEN" No. 18, MACDONNELL ROAD, containing 18 Rooms and Bath Rooms, a well laid out Garden and Lawn. Full View of Harbour. Lately occupied as a First-Class Hotel. Part or whole of premises can be let.

Apply to—
LUK CHEUK MAN,
No. 81, Queen's Road, Central.
Hongkong, 12th July, 1905. [88]

TO LET.

No. 1, RIFON TERRACE.

No. 5, CLIFTON GARDENS, Conduit Road.

No. 17, WONG NEI CHONG ROAD.

OFFICES in course of erection, CONNAUGHT ROAD (near BLAKE PARK).

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LD. AND CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LD.

JOINT SERVICES.
FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON AND CONTINENT.
MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.

TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL EUROPEAN,
NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST AUSTRALIAN, JAPAN
AND SUMATRA PORTS.

EUROPEAN SERVICE.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"SAINT BEDE"	On 11th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"ANTENOR"	On 18th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"OOPACK"	On 23rd January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"NINGCHOW"	On 24th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"ACHILLES"	On 30th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"PELEUS"	On 6th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"ALCINOUS"	On 13th February.

HOMEBWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"IDOMENEUS"	On 16th January.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"PAKLING"	On 20th January.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"STENTOR"	On 30th January.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"SAINT BEDE"	On 13th February.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"PATROCLUS"	On 20th February.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"ANTENOR"	On 27th February.

* Taking Cargo for Liverpool at London Rates.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

Operating in conjunction with
THE NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.

AND TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING TO ALL OVERLAND
COMMON POINTS IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND CANADA.

EASTWARD.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, & all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKO.	"NINGCHOW"	On 24th January.
	"YANGTSE"	On 24th February.

WESTWARD.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
TACOMA, SEATTLE, VICTORIA and PACIFIC COAST	"PINGSUEY"	On 26th January.
	"OANFA"	On 26th February.

For Freight, apply to—

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS. [9-10]

Hongkong, 8th January, 1906.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
AMOI, MANILA, CEBU and ILOILO	"KAIFONG"	On 11th January.
SHANGHAI	"KASHING"	On 11th January.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"TEAN"	On 16th January.
	"CHINGTU"	On 16th January.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior accommodation offered by these
steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled Table. A daily qualified
Surgeon is carried.

Taking Cargo on through bills of lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.
Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for all New Zealand Ports and other
Australian Ports.

REDUCED SALOON FARES, SINGLE AND RETURN, TO MANILA AND
AUSTRALIAN PORTS.
For Freight or Passage, apply to—

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS. [11]

Hongkong, 11th January, 1906.

NORTHERN PACIFIC LINE.

BOSTON S. S. CO. BOSTON TOWBOAT CO.
CONNECTING AT TACOMA WITH

NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR
VICTORIA B.C. AND TACOMA
VIA
MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamer.	Tons.	Captain.	Sailing Date.
SHAWMUT	9,666	E. V. Roberts	Saturday, January 27th

* Cargo only.

CHEAP FARES, EXCELLENT ACCOMMODATION, ATTENDANCE AND
CUISINE. ELECTRIC LIGHT, DOCTOR AND STEWARDESSE.
The twin-screw s.s. "SHAWMUT" and "TREMONT" are fitted with very Superior
Accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers. The large size of these vessels ensures
steadiness at sea. Electric fan in each room. Barber's shop and steam laundry. Cargo carried
in cold storage.

PARCEL EXPRESS TO THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA.

For further information apply to—

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,
GENERAL AGENTS. [17]

QUEEN'S BUILDINGS,
Hongkong, 15th December, 1905.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR STEAMERS TO SAIL REMARKS.

LONDON & C. (via usual ports) DELTA ... Noon, 13th ... See Special
of Call ... C. L. Daniel ... January ... Advertisement.

SHANGHAI ... (ARCADIA ... About 13th ... Freight and
... A. G. Cubitt, & Co. ... January ... Passage.

LONDON and ANTWERP ... PALAWAN ... About 17th ... Freight and
via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID ... A. F. Street ... January ... Passage.

YOKOHAMA, SHANGHAI, CEYLON ... About 31st ... Freight and
MOJI and KUBE ... C. F. Lockstone, & Co. ... January ... Passage.

For further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent. [1]

Hongkong, 10th January, 1906.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT
SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG,
PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS: ALEXANDRIA,
LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON,
AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

STEAMERS WILL CALL AT GIBRALTAR and SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS
AND LOGGERS.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES
IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.
STEAMERS.

STEAMERS	SAILING DATES.
GNEISENAU ...	WEDNESDAY ... 17th January
ROON ...	WEDNESDAY ... 31st January
PREUSSEN ...	WEDNESDAY ... 14th February
ZIETEN ...	WEDNESDAY ... 28th February
PRINZESS ALICE ...	WEDNESDAY ... 14th March
BAVERN ...	WEDNESDAY ... 28th March
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD ...	WEDNESDAY ... 11th April
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH ...	WEDNESDAY ... 25th April
SACHSEN ...	WEDNESDAY ... 9th May
PRINZ HEINRICH ...	WEDNESDAY ... 23rd May
ROON ...	WEDNESDAY ... 6th June
PREUSSEN ...	WEDNESDAY ... 20th June
ZIETEN ...	WEDNESDAY ... 4th July
OLDENBURG ...	WEDNESDAY ... 18th July
BAVERN ...	WEDNESDAY ... 1st August
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD ...	WEDNESDAY ... 15th August
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH ...	WEDNESDAY ... 29th August

ON WEDNESDAY, the 17th day of JANUARY, 1906, at Noon, the Steamship
"GNEISENAU" Captain Bolle, with MAILED PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and
CARGO, will leave this Port as above, CALLING AT NAPLES and GENOA.
Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, on MONDAY, the 15th January. Cargo and
Specie will be received on Board until 5 p.m. on TUESDAY, the 16th January, and Parcels
will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon, on TUESDAY, the 16th January.
Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50,
and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.
The Steamer has splendid accommodation, and carries a Doctor and Stewardesses.
Linen can be washed on board.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & CO., AGENTS. [5]

Hongkong, 4th January, 1906.



OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICES BETWEEN
HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS
AND FORMOSA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	THE CO.'S S.S.	LEAVING
TAMSAI VIA SWATOW AND AMOI	"DAIJIN MARU"	SUNDAY, 14th Jan., at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW, AMOI and FOOCHOW	"ANPING MARU"	THURSDAY, 25th Jan., at 10 A.M.
ANPING VIA SWATOW AND AMOI	THE CHARTERED S.S. "FRITHJOF"	About MONDAY, 15th Jan., at 10 A.M.

These Steamers have superior accommodation for First-class Passengers, and are fitted
throughout with electric light.

Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.
For Freight, Passage, and further information, apply at the Company's local Branch Office
at No. 8, Des Vaux Road Central.

Hongkong, 4th January, 1906.

T. ARIMA, Manager. [14]

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.

HOMEWARD PASSENGER SEASON, 1906.

PROPOSED SAILINGS OF MAIL STEAMERS

FOR

MARSEILLES AND LONDON.

TAKING PASSENGERS ALSO FOR

COLOMBO, INDIA, AUSTRALASIA, EGYPT, BRINDISI, &c.
THROUGH TICKETS ISSUED TO NEW YORK.

Steamers to COLOMBO	Leave HONGKONG	Connecting Steamers from COLOMBO to MARSEILLES & LONDON	Due at MARSEILLES (Brindisi) 2 days earlier	Due at PLYMOUTH (London) 1 day later
			Saturday	Friday
ARCADIA ... 7000	Feb. 10	BRITANNIA ... 7000	Mar. 10	Mar. 16
DELHI ... 8000	Feb. 24	MOLDAVIA ... 10000	Mar. 24	Mar. 30
DONGOLA ... 8000	Mar. 10	MONGOLIA ... 10000	Apr. 7	Apr. 13
DELTA ... 8000	Mar. 24	MOOLTAN ... 10000	Apr. 21	Apr. 27
OCEANA ... 7000	April 7	MARMOIRA ... 10000	May 5	May 11
			Sunday	Saturday
ARCADIA ... 7000	April 21	VICTORIA ... 7000	May 20	May 26
DEVANHA ... 8000	May 5	HIMALAYA ... 7000	June 3	June 9
DELHI ... 8000	May 19	INDIA ... 8000	June 17	June 23
Passengers change steamers at Colo mbo, and those for Brindisi transfer also to the Express Mail Steamer at Port Said.				

Passengers change steamers at Colombo, and those for Brindisi transfer also to the Express
Mail Steamer at Port Said.

Accommodation in the connecting steamer from Colombo is arranged in Hongkong at time
of booking.

In addition to the above Mail Steamers the following—

INTERMEDIATE (non-transshipment) STEAMERS

WILL LEAVE FOR

LONDON.

CARRYING SALOON PASSENGERS AT REDUCED RATES.

STEAMERS.	Leave	Leave	Due at
	HONGKONG	SINGAPORE	LONDON
JAPAN ... 4500	Feb. 14	Feb. 23	Mar. 31
SUMATRA ... 5000	Feb. 28	Mar. 9	Apr. 14
NUBA ... 4000	Mar. 14	Mar. 23	Apr. 28
JAVA ... 4500	Mar. 28	Apr. 6	May 12
FORMOSA ... 4500	Apr. 11	Apr. 20	May 26

These Steamers call also at Singapore, Penang, Colombo, and at Malta or Marsailles.

* "SUMATRA" and "NUBA" call at MARSEILLES.

* "JAPAN," "JAVA" and "FORMOSA" carry only First Saloon Passengers.

For Passage apply to

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent. [267]

Hongkong, 6th January, 1906.

REGULAR
STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW
YORK.

VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL
(WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT MALABAR
COAST).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
About

"ATHOLL" ... 12th Jan.

"PATROL" ... 23rd Jan.

"ST. GEORGE" ... to follow.

For Freight and further information, apply to
DODWELL & CO., LD.,
Agents. [2105-2135]

Hongkong, 3rd January, 1906.

Hongkong, 15th December, 1905. [100]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

BRITISH-INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR AMOY, STRAITS AND RANGOON.

THE Company's Steamship

"PALAMCOTTA."
Captain Babb, will be despatched as above on
TUESDAY, the 16th inst., at DAYLIGHT.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 9th January, 1906. [182]

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE Steamship

"DAKOTAH."
Captain Ross, will be despatched for the above
port on TUESDAY, 16th January.
For Freight and further particulars, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 21st November, 1905. [96]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAM-
SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
(Calling at TIMOR, PORT DARWIN and
QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through
Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND,
TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship

"EMPIRE."
Captain Helms, will be despatched for the above
ports on WEDNESDAY, the 24th inst., at
NOON.
This well-known Steamer is specially fitted
for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber,
which ensures the supply of Fresh Provi-
sions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.
The Steamer is installed throughout with
the Electric Light.
A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon
are carried.
N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of
passengers the steamers of the Company have
electric fans fitted in staterooms.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 3rd January, 1906. [142]

SHIPPING IN PORT.

STEAMERS.

AMOI.—German str. 663, H. Plambeck, 8th
Jan.—Chefoo 3rd Jan. General.—Sander,
Wiel & Co.

AMOI.—Chinese str. 1,159, J. Warwick, 8th
Jan.—Shanghai 5th January. General.—
Chinese.

BEARER.—British str. 3,691, S. L. Saxby, 8th
Jan.—Moji 3rd Jan.—Order.

BRANT.—Norwegian str. 1,513, H. Takestad,
8th Jan.—Chinkiang 4th Jan. General.—
Sander, Wiel & Co.

CAITHNESS.—British str. 2,222, W. Atkinson,
28th Dec.—Newcastle (N.S.W.) 2nd Dec.
Coal.—Order.

CALLIOPE.—British str. 2,438, J. G. Soulsby,
2nd Jan.—Moji 27th Dec. Coal.—Bradley
& Co.

CANTOR.—Norwegian str. 774, Martin, 5th
January.—Singapore 26th Dec. Coal.—
Geo. McEwin.

CHUNGKING.—British str. 1,418, B. Cox, 3rd
Jan.—Wuhu and Chinkiang 31st Dec.
Rice.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CONTINOSBY.—British str. 2,157, Chas. E. Topp,
9th Jan.—Calcutta 21st Dec. Coal.—
Order.

DAKOTAH.—British str. 1,450, Ross, 4th Jan.—
Canton 4th Jan. Ballast.—Standard Oil Co.

DEVAYOGE.—German str. 1,057, T. V. Brudin,
6th Jan.—Amoy (Bangkok) 31st Dec.
Rice and Coal.—Butterfield & Swire.

DR. H. J. KIER.—Norw. str. 691, H. E. Larson,
19th Dec.—Hollo 14th Dec. Sugar.—
Aagaard, Thorsen & Co.

DORIS.—Norwegian str. 965, Norham, 9th Jan.—
Ningpo 6th Jan. General.—Order.

ELITA NOSSACK.—German str. 1,160, W. Lassen,
21st Dec.—Chinkiang 15th Dec. Rice and
General.—Siemssen & Co.

EMMA LUYKEN.—German str. 1,160, O. Schou-
feld, 26th Dec.—Hongay 14th Dec. Coal.—
Order.

FAUSANG.—British str. 1,410, F. Wheeler, 3rd
January.—Sourabaya 25th Dec. Sugar.—
Jardine, Matheson & Co.

FERNANDEZ HERMANOS.—American str. 400,
Onandia, 4th Jan.—Manila 1st Jan. Sugar.—
Gibb, Livingston & Co.

FOOSHING.—British str. 1,423, T. Arthur, 7th
Jan.—Wuhu and Chinkiang 3rd January.
Rice and Peanuts.—Jardine, Matheson
& Co.

FRANKLIN.—British str. 3,191, W. G. Browne,
3rd Jan.—from Port Kemble (N.S.W.).
Coal.—Order.

HELLAS.—German str. 1,539, Hans Rohde, 5th
Jan.—Chinkiang 4th Jan. General and
Rice.—Siemssen & Co.

HERCULES.—Norwegian str. 2,439, G. Bjørck,
5th Jan.—Kuchinotzu 31st Dec. Coal.—
Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

HONG MOH.—British str. 2,554, Wm. Dawson,
8th Jan.—Singapore 2nd Jan. General.—
Chinese.

ISCHIA.—Italian str. 2,784, Coghelsa, 6th Jan.—
Bombay 10th Dec. General.—Carlovitz &
Co.

KAIFONG.—British str. 982, Finlayson, 22nd
Dec.—Hollo via Mariveles 19th Dec. Sugar.—
Butterfield & Swire.

KASHING.—British str. 1,140, Pickard, 5th Jan.—
Chinkiang 1st Jan. General.—Butter-
field & Swire.

KOWLOON.—German str. 2,336, Steier, 1st
Jan.—Chinkiang 27th Dec. General.—
Siemssen & Co.

KWANGLEE.—Chinese str. 1,468, R. L. Lincoln,
27th Dec.—Shanghai 24th Dec. General.—
Chinese.

LISA.—Swedish str. 998, H. Hornadahl, 17th
Dec.—Chinkiang 12th Dec. General.—
Chinese.

LOONGMOON.—German str. 1,345, Kalkofan, 4th
Jan.—Shanghai 31st Dec. Rice.—Siem-
ssen & Co.

LOONGSANG.—British str. 1,092, A. E. Gaudbach,
8th January.—Manila 5th Jan. General.—
Jardine, Matheson & Co.

LOOSOR.—German str. 1,020, G. Schultzen, 9th
Jan.—Bangkok via Hoihow 4th Jan. Rice.—
Butterfield & Swire.

LYENMOON.—German str. 1,238, Th. Lehmann,
6th Jan.—Kobe 1st January. General.—
Siemssen & Co.

MANINGREY.—British str. 3,786, Lawson, 5th
January.—Pasoran 3rd December. Sugar.—
Butterfield & Swire.

MAUBANG.—British str. 1,644, Houghton, 6th
January.—Sandakan 30th Dec. General.—
Jardine, Matheson & Co.

MERCEDIS.—British str. 1,000, MacGregor, 6th
Jan.—Wohaiwei 31st Dec. General.—Nil—
Admiralty.

